(d) in case Government had not approved these decisions in what manner these have been implemented;

(e) whether it is a fact that such meetings have been held subsequently also by the Development Commissioner (PI) and if so, what were the items discussed and the decisions taken; and

(f) whether it is a fact that at these meetings decisions have been taken to outright support the producers to harm the interest of the consumers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (e) The meeting held on 24th April, 1991 with the officers of BICP was for obtaining certain clarifications. BICP is an expert body of the Government on costing and price determination and interaction with officers of the BICP for discussing various matters is a normal process of inter-departmental consultation.

(f) No, Sir.

Submission on form 2-A by Drug Companies

1968. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the companies which have submitted the details in form-2A to his Ministry in respect of non-scheduled formulations on 25th August, 1937;

(b) when was form-2A prescribed and when was it decided to extend its applicapability with retrospective effect;

(c) what are the names of the products of each company in respect of which details in form-2A have been furnished;

(d) what has been done to these details and what are the products and their retail prices which have been found in order; and

(e) what are the products where Government have intervened and brought about the reduction in price, what are the details of earlier and reduced price and what is the extent of reduction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b) Form 2-A was introduced vide Para 3 of S.O. No. 273-E dated 22-3-88, which came into force on the date of its publication in Official Gazette.

(c) The number of companies in the organised sector is about 250 and in the small scale sector about 8000. The number of decontrolled formulations in large variety of pack sizes is enormous. Thus information being voluminous one, the time and labour involved in the collection and compilation of this voluminous information will not be commensurate with the results likely to be achieved.

(d) Information received under Form 2-A is subjected to random check and the prices indicated appeared reasonable in majority of cases.

(e) In case of unusual price increases, Government intervenes to bring the price to a reasonable level. This is a continuous process. Details of such cases during 1991-92 are given in the Annexure.

[See Appendix XCII Annexure No. 37]

इंडियन ड्रग्स एण्ड फार्मास्युटिकल्स लिमिटेड के प्रबन्ध निदेशक द्वारा कच्चे माल की खरीद

1969. **श्री राम अवधेश सिंह** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) इंडियन ड्रग्स एण्ड फार्मास्युटिकल्स लि० के प्रबन्ध निदेशक, ने गत

तीन वर्षों के दौरान किन-किन पार्टियों से किस-किस दर पर कच्चा माल खरीदा ;

(ख) एल-2 और एल-3 के कितने निविदाकारों को सप्लाई के क्रयादेश दिए गए जबकि एल-1 के निविदाकार को इससे वंचित रखा गया और क्या गत तीन वर्षों की निविदाओं का पूरा विवरण सभा पटल पर रखा जायेगा; और

(ग) क्या सरकार प्रबन्ध निदेशक और उसके निकट संबंधियों की सम्पत्तियों की जांच केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो से कराएगी, यदि हां, तो कब तक और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री चिन्ता मोहन) : (क) और (ख) इंडियन ड्रग्स एण्ड फार्मास्युटिकल्स लि० कुछ कार्बनिक रसायनों, शल्य चिकित्सा उपकरणों आदि के अलावा अनेक प्रपुंज औषधों और विभिन्न प्रकार के सूत्रयोगों के निर्माण में लगा हुआ है। प्रपुंज औषधों, सूत्रयोगों, रसायनों और शल्य चिकित्सा उपकरणों, के निर्माण के लिए कंपनी को अनेक किस्म के कच्चे माल और अन्य वस्तुओं की जरूरत होती है। आई०डी०पी०एल० ने बताया है कि निर्धारित प्रक्रिया के अनुसार खरीद की जाती है। तीन वर्षों के दौरान प्रत्येक कच्चे माल के संबंध में जानकारी काफी अधिक होगी और इसे एकत्र करने में पर्याप्त समय और श्रम लगेगा। अपेक्षित ब्यौरे एकत्र करने में लगने वाला समय और श्रम प्राप्त होने वाले परिणामों के अनुसार नहीं होगा।

(ग) इस प्रकार का कोई प्रस्ताव इस विभाग के विचाराधीन नहीं है।

Union Carbide's Refusal to send their Representation to Indian Courts

£1970. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to reported refusal of the Union Carbide Corporation to send representative officers to appear in Indian courts and their counsels' allegation against Government of India on misuse of aid disbursed for the Bhopal Gas Victims; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and reaction of Government of India thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b) Union Carbide Corporation (UCC) have not informed the Government about their refusal to appear in the Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bhopal. However, the Court has been taking steps to effect their appearance before it. Government have also not received any allegation from UCC about misuse of aid meant for Bhopal gas victims.

Fire in the godowns of Hindustan Vegetable Oil

1971. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA: Will the Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that fire broke out in the godowns of Hindustan Vegetable Oils Corporation Limited, Subzi Mandi, Delhi on the 27th April, 1992;

(b) if so, the loss caused to the Corporation as a result thereof;

(c) whether any investigations had been ordered into the cause of this fire; if so, its outcome the responsibility fixed for the lapses, if any, and the preventive measures taken for future; and

(d) the quantum of oil stocks insured and the compensation amount claimed therefor from the Insurance Company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS ANI PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

£Previously unstarred question 1656, transferred from the 11th May, 1992.